THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In addition to the normal 50% concessional rate on trunk calls between 0000 hrs. to 0500 hrs and 2200 hrs to 2400 hrs on week days and all 2400 hrs on Sundays and National holidays for the distance slab of above 50 kms, there is a further 50% concession introduced with effect from 1-4-90 on all trunk calls made from Long Distance Public Telephones which are mainly located in the rural areas.

(c) No Sir, the position is indicated as in (b) above.

(d) Question does not arise in view of (b) above.

Accident rate of air buses with Air India and Indian Airlines

*218. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI : Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION & TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of air buses operating with the Indian Airlines and the Air India;

(b) what is the number of accidents that took place during the last five years, involving airbuses;

(c) what percentage of total accidents do the accident involving air buses constitute;

(d) whether Government have considered the suitability of operating air buses; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA) :

(a) (i) Indian Airlines

Airbus A-300	11
Airbus A-320	18
	29

(ii) Air India

Airbus A-300	3
Airbus A-310	8
	11

(b) There has been only one accident to Airbus aircraft during last 5 years.

(c) The percentage of accident to airbus aircraft constitutes about 1.4% of total accidents during last 5 years.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) These aircraft have type-certification recognised and approved by the DGCA.

Outflow of Foreign Exchange from NRI Accounts

219. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR : SHRI SUSHIL KUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE :

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that there has been a net outflow of foreign exchange deposits from Non-Resident Indian accounts during the first six months of the current financial year;

(b) If so, what is the month to month outflow registered; and

(c) what are the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR) : (a) and (b) It is true that there was a net outflow of foreign exchange deposits from non-resident accounts during the first six months of the current financial year. Month-wise details are furnished in the Table below :

NRI Deposits inflows (outflows) (—)

US ($ Million)

1992-93	NR(E)RA	FCNRA
April . .	52	—188
May . .	—5	76
June . .	57	—45
July . . .	—23(P)	—4
August . .	—17(P)	—9
Sept. . . .	—18(P)	—3
Total . .	46	—325

NR(E)RA=Non-Resident (External) Rupee Accounts

FCNRA=Foreign Currency Non-Resident Accounts.